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In re Application of:

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For: ACTUATOR LATCH DEVICE OF HARD DISK DRIVE

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant cites, provides copies, lists and briefly discusses the following art references newly cited by the Korean Intellectual Property Office in a *Notice to Submit Response* issued by Korean Industrial Property Office in Applicant's Korean priority application No. 10-2001-0007994 dated on the 25th of February 2003.

Korean PATENT REFERENCE:

<u>Publication No.</u>	<u>Inventor</u>	<u>Published Date</u>	<u>Title</u>
P1994-12314	Jo <i>et al.</i>	23 June 1994	"Actuator Locking Apparatus of Hard Disk Drive"

OTHER DOCUMENTS:

Korean Industrial Property Office *Notice to Submit Response* and English language translation thereof, issued by the Korean Industrial Property Office on the 25th February 2003 in Applicant's Korean priority application No. 10-2001-0007994 filed on the 25th of November 1992.

DISCUSSION

As explained in the *Notice to Submit Response* issued by the Korean Industrial Property Office on the 25th of February 2003, during the examination of Applicant's Korean priority patent application No. 10-2001-0007994, the Korean Examiner has asserted that Korean patent publication No. 1994-12314 published on the 23th of June 1994 discloses an actuator latch apparatus of a hard disk drive including a locking protrusion, a stopping guide, a latch lever, and a latch lever driving unit.


The citation of forgoing references is not tended to constitute representation to the Examiner that a search of the prior art has been made by the Applicant. Accordingly, the U.S. Examiner is requested to make a thorough and wide-ranging search of the prior art during the examination.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97 (e)(1), that each item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign patent application not more than (3) three months prior to the filing of the

Information Disclosure Statement.

Accordingly, no fee is incurred by this Statement.

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